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Relatively small changes were reported in chicken inventory and value in 2010.

Catfish prices in February 2011 increased by 23 cents compared to February 2010 estimates, and are up 7 cents from January 2011 estimates.

Compared to March 2009 and March 2010, preliminary prices received in March 2011 are up for wheat, corn, and soybeans.

Chickens: Number, Value per Head, and Total Value, by Selected States and United States, December 1, 2009-2010 <sup>1</sup>

State	Number		Value per Head		Total Value	
	2009 <sup>2</sup>	2010	2009 <sup>2</sup>	2010	2009 <sup>2</sup>	2010
	1,000 Head		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Alabama	16,192	15,958	6.70	7.30	108,486	116,493
Arkansas	19,934	20,695	5.80	6.50	115,617	134,518
California	23,624	24,360	2.60	2.70	61,422	65,772
Florida	11,849	11,918	2.10	2.80	24,883	33,370
Georgia	27,210	24,914	5.60	6.10	152,376	151,975
Illinois	5,021	5,004	1.00	1.60	5,021	8,006
Louisiana	2,630	2,680	3.50	4.00	9,205	10,720
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>10,253</b>	<b>10,222</b>	<b>5.20</b>	<b>5.20</b>	<b>53,316</b>	<b>53,154</b>
Missouri	9,580	10,079	3.70	1.90	35,446	19,150
North Carolina	20,128	20,948	8.50	7.70	171,088	161,300
Oklahoma	4,542	4,561	5.50	5.50	24,981	25,086
South Dakota	2,810	2,959	3.40	3.20	9,554	9,469
Tennessee	2,808	2,830	6.60	6.90	18,533	19,527
Texas	24,002	24,789	2.90	3.10	69,606	76,846
Virginia	4,138	4,435	5.00	5.20	20,690	23,062
United States	451,793	454,506	3.34	3.52	1,507,533	1,599,726

<sup>1</sup> Excludes commercial broilers.

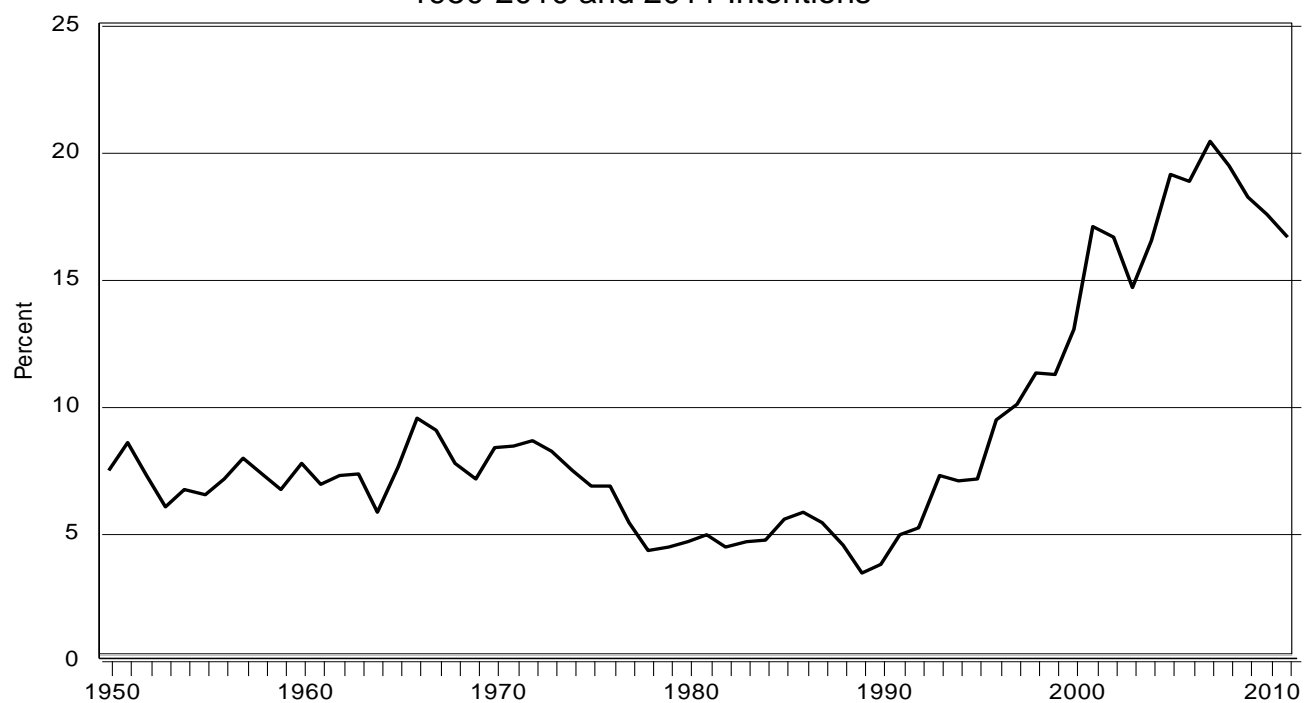
<sup>2</sup> Revised.

### Chickens: Layers, Pullets, and Other Chickens, by Selected States and United States, December 1, 2009-2010

State	Total Layers		Total Pullets		Other Chickens	
	2009 <sup>1</sup>	2010	2009 <sup>1</sup>	2010	2009 <sup>1</sup>	2010
<b>1,000</b>						
Alabama	9,357	9,459	5,627	5,534	1,208	965
Arkansas	12,214	12,344	6,270	6,884	1,450	1,467
California	19,686	19,495	3,933	4,858	5	7
Florida	10,215	9,853	1,600	2,028	34	37
Georgia	17,876	17,007	7,520	6,887	1,814	1,020
Illinois	4,801	4,543	200	443	20	18
Louisiana	1,782	1,920	689	648	159	112
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>6,065</b>	<b>5,969</b>	<b>3,653</b>	<b>3,718</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>535</b>
Missouri	6,923	7,433	2,515	2,581	142	65
North Carolina	13,266	13,246	5,880	6,641	982	1,061
Oklahoma	3,261	3,320	1,039	1,019	242	222
South Dakota	2,440	2,384	370	575	0	0
Tennessee	1,506	1,600	1,091	1,038	211	192
Texas	17,732	18,561	5,810	5,808	460	420
Virginia	2,877	3,028	1,061	1,192	200	215
<b>United States</b>	<b>341,005</b>	<b>342,451</b>	<b>102,301</b>	<b>104,665</b>	<b>8,487</b>	<b>7,390</b>

<sup>1</sup> Revised.

### Mississippi Percentage of Sweet Potatoes Planted in the United States, 1950-2010 and 2011 Intentions



**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight, by  
Selected States and United States, January-February 2011**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	January	February	January	February	January	February
	<b>1,000 Head</b>		<b>1,000 Pounds</b>		<b>Pounds</b>	
Alabama	85,799	82,508	480,410	463,896	5.60	5.62
Arkansas	80,407	71,622	464,261	405,584	5.77	5.66
Georgia	98,708	94,240	534,774	502,412	5.42	5.33
Kentucky	23,751	21,627	132,925	120,890	5.60	5.59
Louisiana	15,024	13,750	95,100	86,725	6.33	6.31
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>60,366</b>	<b>57,626</b>	<b>363,333</b>	<b>341,331</b>	<b>6.02</b>	<b>5.92</b>
Missouri	34,871	32,884	167,368	159,528	4.80	4.85
North Carolina	62,193	55,889	447,294	394,474	7.19	7.06
South Carolina	24,182	23,163	173,795	161,314	7.19	6.96
Tennessee	23,013	21,489	119,142	108,357	5.18	5.04
Texas	59,065	52,675	345,918	302,355	5.86	5.74
Virginia	25,199	22,702	133,196	115,717	5.29	5.10
United States	713,638	659,099	4,176,056	3,798,570	5.85	5.76

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post – Mortem Condemnations, by  
Selected States and United States, January-February 2011**

State	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified <sup>1</sup>		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			Carcass and Parts		Percent <sup>2</sup>	
	January	February	January	February	January	February
	<b>1,000 Pounds</b>		<b>1,000 Pounds</b>		<b>Percent</b>	
Alabama	358,053	347,530	2,937	2,818	0.81	0.80
Arkansas	343,192	299,374	3,475	3,020	1.00	1.00
Georgia	403,038	379,864	3,527	3,266	0.87	0.85
Kentucky	97,065	88,080	597	642	0.61	0.72
Louisiana	69,784	63,895	304	311	0.43	0.48
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>283,656</b>	<b>268,268</b>	<b>1,768</b>	<b>1,784</b>	<b>0.62</b>	<b>0.66</b>
Missouri	123,509	117,476	885	845	0.71	0.71
North Carolina	348,383	308,415	4,487	3,712	1.27	1.19
South Carolina	130,678	121,105	970	916	0.74	0.75
Tennessee	86,459	78,533	754	704	0.86	0.89
Texas	267,796	235,296	1,966	1,638	0.73	0.69
Virginia	93,021	80,667	767	628	0.82	0.77
United States	3,127,487	2,850,590	28,556	26,160	0.90	0.91

<sup>1</sup> Ready-to-cook-weights.

<sup>2</sup> Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

## Mississippi Wheat Average Yields, 2006-2010

County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (bu.)	County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (bu.)
Bolivar	5	60.2	Carroll	2	67.8
Coahoma	5	60.6	Holmes	1	58.8
Quitman	4	54.8	Madison	4	49.3
Tallahatchie	5	59.1	Rankin	1	54.0
Tunica	4	57.4	District 50	5	53.9
District 10	5	58.8	Chickasaw	1	42.1
Calhoun	1	65.0	Lowndes	2	56.4
DeSoto	5	52.0	Monroe	4	56.1
Marshall	3	41.9	Noxubee	2	51.7
Panola	4	59.4	District 60	5	57.0
Tate	5	54.4	Warren	2	47.4
Yalobusha	1	65.0	District 70	5	49.6
District 20	5	54.4	Covington	1	45.0
Lee	2	43.7	District 80	3	50.0
Pontotoc	2	33.8	District 90	3	52.1
Prentiss	3	47.1	State Average	5	57.1
Tippah	2	34.9			
District 30	5	40.6			
Humphreys	5	60.9			
Issaquena	2	60.5			
Leflore	5	61.1			
Sharkey	2	66.4			
Sunflower	5	56.6			
Washington	5	61.4			
Yazoo	4	64.7			
District 40	5	59.9			

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## Mississippi Soybean Average Yields, 2006-2010

County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (bu.)	County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (bu.)
Bolivar	5	40.9	Attala	2	37.2
Coahoma	5	39.4	Carroll	4	35.7
Quitman	5	31.9	Holmes	5	37.7
Tallahatchie	5	37.9	Madison	5	36.0
Tunica	5	34.3	Montgomery	3	37.9
District 10	5	37.9	Rankin	3	39.1
Benton	5	30.2	Scott	2	35.6
Calhoun	5	32.1	Webster	2	38.0
DeSoto	5	31.6	District 50	5	37.2
Grenada	1	19.6	Chickasaw	4	26.6
Lafayette	2	26.9	Clay	2	24.5
Marshall	5	28.7	Lowndes	4	24.7
Panola	5	31.2	Monroe	5	28.4
Tate	5	32.0	Noxubee	5	28.5
Yalobusha	4	36.8	District 60	5	27.9
District 20	5	31.1	Adams	1	44.5
Alcorn	5	27.4	Claiborne	1	46.0
Itawamba	3	30.7	Hinds	5	38.6
Lee	5	27.6	Jefferson	1	45.1
Pontotoc	5	28.2	Warren	4	38.5
Prentiss	5	26.3	District 70	5	39.4
Tippah	4	31.2	Covington	2	31.9
Tishomingo	2	24.8	Lawrence	1	40.0
Union	5	28.2	Walthall	2	33.7
District 30	5	28.0	District 80	5	33.6
Humphreys	5	33.6	District 90	5	30.5
Issaquena	5	37.1	State Average	5	36.8
Leflore	5	40.5			
Sharkey	5	38.6			
Sunflower	5	40.3			
Washington	5	44.1			
Yazoo	5	36.4			
District 40	5	40.0			

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## Mississippi Sorghum Average Yields, 2006-2010

County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (bu.)
Bolivar	2	77.6
Coahoma	1	70.1
Quitman	2	82.7
Tallahatchie	1	75.5
Tunica	2	82.9
District 10	3	77.6
DeSoto	1	98.4
Panola	1	76.0
District 20	4	79.8
District 30	2	72.5
Sharkey	1	72.0
Sunflower	3	87.0
Washington	3	79.2
Yazoo	1	65.0
District 40	4	80.9
District 70	1	46.9
Other Districts	5	71.6
State Average	5	78.2

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Prices Received for All Wheat, Corn, and Soybeans by Month,  
United States, 2011 with Comparisons <sup>1</sup>

Month	All Wheat			Corn			Soybeans		
	2009	2010	Preliminary 2011	2009	2010	Preliminary 2011	2009	2010	Preliminary 2011
<b>Dollars per Bushel</b>									
January	6.20	4.90	6.71	4.36	3.66	4.94	9.97	9.79	11.60
February	5.79	4.73	7.43	3.87	3.55	5.64	9.54	9.41	12.70
March	5.71	4.70	7.63	3.85	3.55	5.46	9.12	9.39	12.10
April	5.75	4.41		3.85	3.41		9.79	9.47	
May	5.85	4.33		3.96	3.48		10.70	9.41	
June	5.72	4.16		4.01	3.41		11.40	9.45	
July	5.17	4.50		3.60	3.49		10.80	9.79	
August	4.85	5.44		3.33	3.65		10.80	10.10	
September	4.48	5.83		3.25	4.08		9.75	9.98	
October	4.47	5.87		3.61	4.32		9.43	10.20	
November	4.79	6.13		3.65	4.55		9.53	11.10	
December	4.87	6.45		3.60	4.82		9.80	11.60	

<sup>1</sup> Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months and years are for the entire month.

**United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Sales Volume, Average Price, and  
Ending Inventory, February 2010-2011**

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price <sup>1</sup>		Ending Inventory	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
<b>Fresh</b>	<b>1,000 Pounds</b>		<b>Dollars per Pound</b>		<b>1,000 Pounds</b>	
Whole Fish	3,156	2,046	1.49	2.06	173	139
Fillets	4,221	2,650	3.10	3.75	340	362
Other	735	535	1.60	1.95	68	95
Total Fresh	8,112	5,231	2.34	2.91	581	596
<b>Frozen</b>						
Whole Fish	822	762	2.20	2.59	952	830
Fillets	9,730	6,833	2.92	3.56	7,716	4,772
Other	3,953	2,738	1.76	2.06	2,431	2,842
Total Frozen	14,505	10,333	2.56	3.09	11,099	8,444
Total Fresh & Frozen	22,617	15,564	2.48	3.03	11,680	9,040

<sup>1</sup> Gross value f.o.b. plant.

**United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and  
Prices Paid by Producers, United States, 2010-2011**

Month	Round Weight Processed				Price per Pound <sup>1</sup>	
	Monthly		Cumulative		2010	2011
	2010	2011	2010	2011		
1,000 Pounds				Dollars		
January	40,042	35,076	40,042	35,076	.764	.931
February	40,977	27,782	81,019	62,858	.765	1.003
March	46,650		127,669		.785	
April	37,111		164,780		.804	
May	38,244		203,024		.796	
June	38,656		241,680		.786	
July	39,302		280,982		.788	
August	39,231		320,213		.790	
September	39,494		359,707		.816	
October	40,455		400,162		.832	
November	36,683		436,845		.841	
December	34,838		471,683		.861	

<sup>1</sup> Quantity processed by major processors and the prices paid for fish delivered to the processing plant's door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling. Price also includes any discounts or premiums for size or quality, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

Commercial Red Meat Production: by Selected States and United States <sup>1</sup>

State	February 2010	January 2011	February 2011	February 2011 as Percent of 2010 <sup>2</sup>
	<b>Million Pounds</b>			<b>Percent</b>
Alabama	1.5	2.0	1.7	112
Arkansas	4.7	3.4	3.2	68
Florida	8.1	8.6	8.8	109
Georgia	8.9	10.1	10.7	121
Kentucky	43.4	48.0	43.9	101
Louisiana	0.5	0.4	0.5	90
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>114</b>
Missouri	128.1	150.2	137.2	107
North Carolina	205.8	196.6	196.7	96
Oklahoma	89.6	99.8	97.9	109
South Carolina	18.5	21.0	20.2	109
Tennessee	17.3	14.7	17.2	99
Texas	365.7	398.0	386.9	106
Virginia	38.3	40.6	34.0	89
West Virginia	0.5	0.8	0.5	115
United States	3,735.8	4,042.0	3,811.3	102

<sup>1</sup> Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. Totals and percentages based on unrounded data.